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In re Application of

Joseph Wilkinson, III

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For: PIPE SHOE AND METHOD

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§ Group Art Unit: 3632

§ Examiner: Anita M. King

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please cancel Claims 2, 3, 12, 18, 19 without prejudice to Applicant.

Please amend Claims 1, 7, 11, 14, 16, 17 and 20 as follows.

Please add the following new Claims 21-35.

CLEAN PARAGRAPH OF SPECIFICATION:

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Figure 1 depicts a pipe shoe 10 according to the present invention for supporting an insulated pipe. The pipe shoe 10 includes a generally rectangular base plate 12 which has a lower planar surface 14 for sliding engagement with a top surface of a pipe rack or other structural support, and a parallel upper planar surface 16 for supporting a left-side support plate 22 and a right-side support plate 24, e.g. by weld 27. Preferably the left-side 18 and the right-side 20 of the base plate 12 are spaced outwardly from respective support plates 22, 24, so that conventional guides (not shown) may guide the pipe shoe 12 as it moves axially with respect to the pipe rack in response to thermal

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. <input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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